



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: June 18, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: **10th Avenue SE Mississippi River Bridge Engineering Consultant
Service Contract**

Recommendation:

Authorize the proper City officers to negotiate and execute a bridge design engineering contract with SRF Consulting Group, Inc.

Previous Directives:

- December 12, 2012 - 2013 Council Adopted Budget authorizing 10th Avenue SE Mississippi River Bridge project (CBR111)

Department Information:

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Approved by: _____

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Presenters in Committee: Jack Yuzna

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval X Date Jan 28, 2013
- Civil Rights Approval Approval X Date Jan 14, 2013
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval Date

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan

- Zoning Code
- Other

Supporting Information

The 10th Avenue SE River Bridge over the Mississippi River is a vital link between the west and east banks of the Mississippi River. It provides an important connection for motor vehicles, bicyclists, pedestrians, and bus transit between the East & West Banks campuses of the University of Minnesota, the adjacent neighborhoods, businesses and Downtown.

The 10th Avenue SE River Bridge has been a signature structure for the City of Minneapolis since its construction in 1929. However, significant deterioration has occurred which will, without corrective action, decrease its usable life and historic value. In 2009 Public Works hired a consulting firm to perform a structural evaluation and provide a report detailing the bridge's existing conditions.

The 2009 report developed rehabilitation strategies and investigated alternatives to maximize long-term results, minimize the need for future repairs, extend the bridge's useful life and maintain its historical integrity. Utilizing the findings and recommendations, Public Works solicited and received both federal and state funding to assist with the project's implementation.

In January 2013, Public Works solicited Proposals for Bridge Rehabilitation Engineering Services. Three proposals were received. After reviewing the proposals and interviewing the firms, SRF Consulting Group was selected to provide professional services, preliminary engineering and environmental documentation, final design and technical support during bridge construction. The proposed fee for services is \$892,751 and is within estimate and budget.

Funding Source:

Federal Funds	\$3,369,300
State Bridge Bonds	\$7,600,000*
<u>City -NDB</u>	<u>\$1,460,000</u>
Total	\$12,429,300

*Funding committed, amount to be finalized when plans completed.

Schedule

Design is anticipated to begin in July and is scheduled to be completed early in 2014. Construction will begin in the summer of 2014 and, at this time, we anticipated work to be completed in the summer of 2015. Public Works will refine the schedule once design begins and the scope and staging are developed.

Attachment: Map

Cc: CM Gordon, Ward 2
 CM Hofstede, Ward 3
 Connie Griffith, Finance
 Bill Schroeder, Finance
 Craig Troutman, Finance

T&PW & W&M/Budget - Your Committee recommends that proper city officers be authorized to enter a contract with SRF Consulting Group, Inc for Engineering Consulting Services for the Rehabilitation of the 10th Ave. SE River Bridge in the amount of \$892,751.00.